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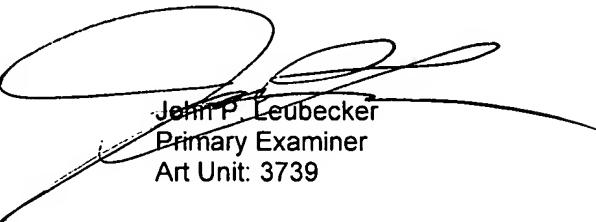
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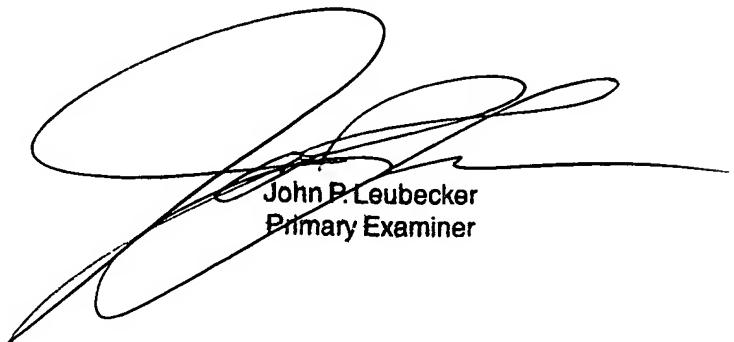


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1. The reply filed on May 19, 2006 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action (Notice of Incomplete Species Election mailed March 17, 2006) because: it still fails to elect a single disclosed species for each of the first transmission system and the second transmission system, as specifically required in the original Requirement. Since the period for reply set forth in the prior Office action has expired, this application will become abandoned unless applicant corrects the deficiency and obtains an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a).

The date on which the petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a) and the appropriate extension fee have been filed is the date for purposes of determining the period of extension and the corresponding amount of the fee. In no case may an applicant reply outside the SIX (6) MONTH statutory period or obtain an extension for more than FIVE (5) MONTHS beyond the date for reply set forth in an Office action. A fully responsive reply must be timely filed to avoid abandonment of this application.



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